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SUBJECT: CSCE: FULL TEXT ON INFORMATION

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1. THERE FOLLOWS FULL TEXT ON INFORMATION AS AGREE IN
SUBCOMMITTEE JULY 2. (SEQUENTIAL ARABIC NUMBERING ADDED FOR
CONVENIENT REFERENCE).

BEGIN TEXT:

2. INFORMATION

(1) THE PARTICIPATING STATES,
(2) CONSCIOUS OF THE NEED FOR AN EVER WIDER KNOWLEDGE AND
UNDERSTANDING OF THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF LIFE IN OTHER
PARTICIPATING STATES,

(3) ACKNOWLEDGING THE CONTRIBUTION OF THIS PROCESS TO THE
GROWTH OF CONFIDENCE BETWEEN PEOPLES,

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(4) DESIRING, WITH DEVELOPMENT OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN THE PARTICIPATING STATES AND WITH THE FURTHER IMPROVEMENT OF THEIR RELATIONS, TO CONTINUE FURTHER EFFORTS TOWARDS PROGRESS IN THIS FIELD,

(5) RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES AND OF A BETTER ACQUAINTANCE WITH SUCH INFORMATION,

(6) EMPHASIZING THEREFORE THE ESSENTIAL AND INFLUENTIAL ROLE OF THE PRESS RADIO, TELEVISION, CINEMA AND NEWS AGENCIES AND OF THE JOURNALISTS WORKING IN THESE FIELDS,

(7) MAKE IT THEIR AIM TO FACILITATE THE FREER AND WIDER DISSEMINATION

OF INFORMATION OF ALL KINDS TO ENCOURAGE CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF INFORMATION AND THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH OTHER COUNTRIES, AND TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH JOURNALISTS FROM ONE PARTICIPATING STATES EXERCISE THEIR PROFESSION IN ANOTHER PARTICIPATING STATE, AND

(8) EXPRESS THEIR INTENTION IN PARTICULAR:

(A) IMPROVEMENT OF THE CIRCULATION OF, ACCESS TO, AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

(I) ORAL INFORMATION

(9) TO FACILITATE THE DISSEMINATION OF ORAL INFORMATION THROUGH THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF LECTURES AND LECTURE TOURS BY PERSONALITIES AND SPECIALISTS FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES, AS WELL AS EXCHANGES OF OPINIONS AT ROUND TABLE MEETINGS, SEMINARS, SYMPOSIA, SUMMER SCHOOLS, CONGRESSES AND OTHER BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL MEETINGS.

(II) PRINTED INFORMATION

(10) TO FACILITATE THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE DISSEMINATION, ON THEIR TERRITORY, OF NEWSPAPERS AND PRINTED PUBLICATIONS, PERIODICAL AND NON-PERIODICAL, FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES. FOR THIS PURPOSE:

(11) THEY WILL ENCOURAGE THEIR COMPETENT FIRMS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS DESIGNED GRADUALLY TO INCREASE THE QUANTITIES AND THE NUMBER OF TITLES OF NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLICATIONS IMPORTED FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES.

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THESE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS SHOULD IN PARTICULAR MENTION THE SPEEDIEST CONDITIONS OF DELIVERY AND THE USE OF THE NORMAL CHANNELS EXISTING IN EACH COUNTRY FOR THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF ITS OWN PUBLICATIONS AND NEWSPAPERS, AS WELL AS FORMS AND MEANS OF PAYMENT AGREED BETWEEN THE PARTIES MAKING IT POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES AIMED AT BY THESE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS;

(12) WHERE NECESSARY, THEY WILL TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO ACHIEVE THE ABOVE OBJECTIVES AND TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS

CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS.

(13) TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF ACCESS BY THE PUBLIC TO PERIODICAL AND NON-PERIODICAL PRINTED PUBLICATIONS IMPORTED ON THE BASES INDICATED ABOVE. IN PARTICULAR:

(14) THEY WILL ENCOURAGE AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PLACES WHERE THESE PUBLICATIONS ARE ON SALE;

(15) THEY WILL FACILITATE THE AVAILABILITY OF THESE PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS DURING CONGRESSES, CONFERENCE, OFFICIAL VISITS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND TO TOURISTS DURING THE SEASON;

(16) THEY WILL DEVELOP THE POSSIBILITIES FOR TAKING OUT SUBSCRIPTIONS ACCORDING TO THE MODALITIES PARTICULAR TO EACH COUNTRY;

(17) THEY WILL IMPROVE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR READING AND BORROWING THESE PUBLICATIONS IN LARGE PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND THEIR READING ROOMS AS WELL AS IN UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES.

(18) THEY INTEND TO IMPROVE THE POSSIBILITIES FOR ACQUAINTANCE WITH BULLETINS OF OFFICIAL INFORMATION ISSUED BY DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AND DISTRIBUTED BY THOSE MISSIONS ON THE BASIS OF ARRANGEMENTS ACCEPTABLE TO THE INTERESTED PARTIES.

(III) FILMED AND BROADCAST INFORMATION

(19) TO PROMOTE THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE DISSEMINATION OF FILMED AND BROADCAST INFORMATION. TO THIS END:

(20) THEY WILL ENCOURAGE THE WIDER SHOWING AND BROADCASTING OF A GREATER VARIETY OF RECORDED AND FILMED INFORMATION FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES, ILLUSTRATING THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF LIFE IN THEIR COUNTRIES AND RECEIVED ON THE BASIS OF SUCH AGREEMENTS OR ARRANGEMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATIONS AND FIRMS DIRECTLY CONCERNED;

(21) THEY WILL FACILITATE THE IMPORT BY COMPETENT ORGANIZATIONS AND FIRMS OF RECORDED AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIAL FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES.

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(22) THE PARTICIPATING STATES NOTE THE EXPANSION IN THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION BROADCAST BY RADIO, AND EXPRESS THE HOPE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THIS PROCESS, SO AS TO MEET THE INTEREST OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AMONG PEOPLES AND THE AIMS SET FORTH BY THIS CONFERENCE.

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(B) CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF INFORMATION

(23) TO ENCOURAGE CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF INFORMATION
ON THE BASIS OF SHORT OR LONG TERM AGREEMENTS OR ARRANGEMENTS.
IN PARTICULAR:

(24) THEY WILL FAVOUR INCREASED CO-OPERATION AMONG MASS MEDIA
ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING PRESS AGENCIES, AS WELL AS AMONG
PUBLISHING HOUSES AND ORGANIZATIONS;

(25) THEY WILL FAVOUR CO-OPERATION AMONG PUBLIC OR PRIVATE,
NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL RADIO AND TELEVISION ORGANIZATIONS,
IN PARTICULAR THROUGH THE EXCHANGE OF BOTH LIVE AND RECORDED
RADIO AND TELEVISION PROGRAMMES, AND THROUGH THE JOINT
PRODUCTION AND THE BROADCASTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH
PROGRAMMES;

(26) THEY WILL ENCOURAGE MEETINGS AND CONTACTS BOTH BETWEEN
JOURNALISTS' ORGANIZATIONS AND BETWEEN JOURNALISTS FROM THE
PARTICIPATING STATES;

(27) THEY WILL VIEW FAVOURABLY THE POSSIBILITIES OF ARRANGEMENTS
BETWEEN PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS ASWELL AS BETWEEN NEWSPAPERS
FROM THE PARTICIPATING STATES, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXCHANGING
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AND PUBLISHING ARTICLES;

(28) THEY WILL ENCOURAGE THE EXCHANGE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION
AS WELL AS THE ORGANIZATION OF JOINT RESEARCH AND MEETINGS
DEVOTED TO THE EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND VIEWS BETWEEN EXPERTS

IN THE FIELD OF THE PRESS, RADIO AND TELEVISION.

88 (C) IMPROVMENT OF WORKING CONDITIONS FOR JOURNALISTS

(29) THE PARTICIPATING STATES, DESIRING TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH JOURNALISTS FROM ONE PARTICIPATING STATES EXERCISE THEIR PROFESSION IN ANOTHER PARTICIPATING STATE, INTEND IN PARTICULAR TO:

(30) EXAMINE IN A FAVOURABLE SPIRIT AND WITHIN A SUITABLE AND REASONABLE TIME SCALE REQUESTS FROM JOURNALISTS FOR VISAS;

(31) GRANT TO PERMANENTLY ACCREDITED JOURNALISTS OF THE PARTICIPATING STATES, ON THE BASIS OF ARRANGEMENTS, MULTIPLE ENTRY AND EXIT VISAS FOR SPECIFIED PERIODS;

(32) FACILITATE THE ISSUE TO ACCREDITED JOURNALISTS OF THE PARTICIPATING STATES OF PERMITS FOR STAY IN THEIR COUNTRY OF TEMPORARY RESIDENCE AND, IF AND WHEN THESE ARE NECESSARY, OF OTHER OFFICIAL PAPERS WHICH IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THEM TO HAVE;

(33) EASE, ON A BASIS OF RECIPROCITY, PROCEDURES FOR ARRANGING TRAVEL BY JOURNALISTS OF THE PARTICIPATING STATES IN THE COUNTRY WHERE THEY ARE EXERCISING THEIR PROFESSION, AND TO PROVIDE PROGRESSIVELY GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCH TRAVEL, SUBJECT TO THE OBSERVANCE OF REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE EXISTENCE OF AREAS CLOSED FOR SECURITY REASONS;

(34) ENSURE THAT REQUESTS BY SUCH JOURNALISTS FOR SUCH TRAVEL RECEIVE, IN SO FAR AS POSSIBLE, AN EXPEDITIOUS RESPONSE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE TIME SCALES OF THE REQUEST;

(35) INCREASE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR JOURNALISTS OF THE PARTICIPATING STATES TO COMMUNICATE PERSONALLY WITH THEIR SOURCES, INCLUDING ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICIAL INSTITUTIONS;

(36) GRANT TO JOURNALISTS OF THE PARTICIPATING STATES THE RIGHT TO IMPORT, SUBJECT ONLY TO ITS BEING TAKEN OUT AGAIN, THE TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT (PHOTOGRAPHIC, CINEMATOGRAPHIC, TAPE RECORDER, RADIO AND TELEVISION) NECESSARY FOR THE EXERCISE OF THEIR PROFESSION; (FOOTNOTE)

##WHILE RECOGNIZING THAT APPROPRIATE LOCAL PERSONNEL ARE EMPLOYED BY FOREIGN JOURNALISTS IN MANY INSTANCES, THE PARTICIPATING STATES NOTE THAT THE ABOVE PROVISIONS WOULD BE APPLIED, SUBJECT UNCLASSIFIED

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TO THE OBSERVANCE OF THE APPROPRIATE RULES, TO PERSONS FROM THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES, WHO ARE REGULARLY AND PROFESSIONALLY ENGAGED AS TECHNICIANS, PHOTOGRAPHERS OR CAMERAMEN OF THE PRESS, RADIO, TELEVISION OR CINEMA.

(37) ENABLE JOURNALISTS OF THE OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES, WHETHER PERMANENTLY OR TEMPORARILY ACCREDITED, TO TRANSMIT COMPLETELY, NORMALLY AND RAPIDLY BY MEANS RECOGNIZED BY THE PARTICIPATING STATES TO THE INFORMATION ORGANS WHICH THEY REPRESENT, THE RESULTS OF THEIR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY, INCLUDING TAPE RECORDINGS AND UNDEVELOPED FILM, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUBLICATION OR OF BROADCASTING ON THE RADIO OR

TELEVISION.

(38) THE PARTICIPATING STATES REAFFIRM THAT THE LEGITIMATE
PURSUIT OF THEIR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY WILL NEITHER RENDER
JOURNALISTS LIABLE TO EXPULSION NOR OTHERWISE PENALIZE THEM.
IF AN ACCREDITED JOURNALIST IS EXPELLED, HE WILL BE INFORMED
OF THE REASONS FOR THIS ACT AND MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR
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